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- (1) Be issued by an official of the country responsible for authorizing the export of such wildlife or plants;
- (2) Specify the species (or taxa to the rank listed in appendix I, II or III) and give the numbers of wildlife or plants covered by the document; and
- (3) Contain the following statement or its equivalent:
- I, —————, (Signing official), hereby certify that the shipment of wildlife or plants covered by this document is in accordance with the laws of ————— (Country), will not be detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild, and, if living, will be transported in a manner which will minimize the risk of injury, damage to health, or cruel treatment.

#### §23.15 Permits and certificates.

- (a) In order to import, export or reexport wildlife or plants listed in appendix I, II or III that are also listed as endangered or threatened and subject to regulations in part 17 of this subchapter, the requirements in both part 17 and part 23 must be met. A single application meeting the appropriate application requirements in part 17 will also meet the application requirements in part 23.
- (b) In order to import wildlife listed in appendix I, II or III that are marine mammals subject to regulations in part 18 of this subchapter, the requirements in both part 18 and part 23 must be met. A single application meeting the application requirements in part 18 will also meet the application requirements in part 23.
- (c) Application requirements for permits or certificates to import, export or re-export wildlife or plants listed in appendix I, II or III that are not subject to the regulations in part 17 or part 18 of this subchapter. Applications for permits or certificates under this section must be submitted to the Director by any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States who wishes to engage in the activity. Each application must be submitted on an official application form (Form 3-200) provided by the Service, or must contain the general information and certification required by §13.12(a) of this subchapter, and must include, as an attachment, as much of the following information as relates to the purpose for

which the applicant is requesting a permit or certificate.

- (1) The scientific and common names of the species (or taxa to the rank listed in appendix I, II or III) sought to be covered by the permit, the number of wildlife or plants, and the activity sought to be authorized (such as importing, exporting, re-exporting, etc.);
- (2) A statement as to whether the wildlife or plant, at the time of application, (i) is living in the wild, (ii) is living but is not in the wild, or (iii) is dead;
- (3) A description of the wildlife or plant, including (i) size, (ii) sex (if known), and (iii) type of goods, if it is a part or derivative;
- (4) In the case of living wildlife or plants, (i) a description of the type, size and construction of any container the wildlife or plant will be placed in during transportation; and (ii) the arrangements for watering and otherwise caring for the wildlife or plant during transportation;
- (5) The name and address of the person in a foreign country to whom the wildlife or plant is to be exported from the United States, or from whom the wildlife or plant is to be imported into the United States;
- (6) The country and place where the wildlife or plant was or is to be taken from the wild;
- (7) In the case of wildlife or plants listed in appendix I to be imported into the United States, (i) a statement of the purposes and details of the activities for which the wildlife or plant is to be imported; (ii) a brief resume of the technical expertise of the applicant or other persons who will care for the wildlife or plant; (iii) the name, address and a description, including diagrams or photographs, of the facility where the wildlife or plant will be maintained; and (iv) a description of all mortalities, in the two years preceding the date of this application, involving any wildlife species covered in the application (or any species of the same genus or family) held by the applicant, including the causes and steps taken to avoid such mortalities; and
- (8) Copies of documents, sworn affidavits or other evidence showing that either (i) the wildlife or plant was acquired prior to the date the Convention

applied to it, or (ii) the wildlife or plant was bred in captivity or artificially propagated, or was part of or derived therefrom, or (iii) the wildlife or plant is an herbarium specimen, other preserved, dried or embedded museum specimen or live plant material to be imported, exported or re-exported as a non-commercial loan, donation or exchange between scientists or scientific institutions.

- (d) Issuance criteria. Upon receiving an application completed in accordance with paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of this section, the Director will decide whether or not a permit or certificate should be issued. In making his decision, the Director shall consider in addition to the general criteria in §13.21(b) of this subchapter, the following factors:
- (1) Whether the proposed import, export or re-export would be detrimental to the survival of the species;
- (2) Whether the wildlife or plant was acquired lawfully;
- (3) Whether any living wildlife or plant to be exported or re-exported will be so prepared and shipped as to minimize the risk of injury, damage to health or cruel treatment;
- (4) Whether any living wildlife or plant to be imported directly into the United States from the sea beyond the jurisdiction of any country will be so handled as to minimize the risk of injury, damage to health or cruel treatment;
- (5) Whether an import permit has been granted by a foreign country, in the case of proposed export or re-export from the United States of any wildlife or plant listed in Appendix I;
- (6) Whether the proposed recipient of any living wildlife or plant listed in Appendix I to be imported into the United States is suitably equipped to house and care for such wildlife or plant;
- (7) Whether any wildlife or plant listed in appendix I to be imported into the United States is to be used for primarily commercial activities; and
- (8) Whether the evidence submitted is sufficient to justify an exception, in the case of (i) wildlife or plants that were acquired prior to the date the Convention applied to them; (ii) wildlife or plants that were bred in cap-

- tivity or artificially propagated, or were part of or derived there from; or (iii) wildlife or plants that are herbarium specimens; other preserved, dried or embedded museum specimens, or live plant material to be imported, exported or re-exported as a noncommercial loan, donation or exchange between scientists or scientific institutions.
- (9) Whether in the case of wildlife or plants listed in Appendix II, they are the subject of a large volume of trade and are not necessarily threatened with extinction.
- (e) Permit or certificate conditions. In addition to the general criteria set forth in part 13 of this subchapter, permits or certificates issued under this section shall be subject to the following special conditions:
- (1) Any permit must be presented to a Service agent at a designated port of entry upon importation into the United States or prior to exportation or reexportation from the United States:
- (2) Where appropriate and feasible, the Service may require that an identifying mark be affixed upon any wildlife or plant;
- (3) In the case of wildlife or plants that are herbarium specimens, other preserved, dried or embedded museum specimens, or live plant material to be imported, exported or re-exported as a non-commercial loan, donation or exchange between scientists or scientific institutions, the names and addresses of the consignor and consignee must be on each package or container. The letters "CITES" (acronym for the Convention), a description such as "herbarium specimens," and the code letters assigned by the Service to the scientist or scientific institution, must be entered on the Customs declaration form affixed to each package or container.
- (f) Duration of permits or certificates. The duration of permits or certificates issued under this section shall be designated on the face of the permit or certificate, but in no case will export permits be valid for longer than six months.

Subpart C—Appendices I, II and III to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora

# §23.21 Criteria for listing species. [Reserved]

# §23.22 Procedures for amending the appendices. [Reserved]

# §23.23 Species listed in Appendices I, II, and III.

(a) The list in this section includes species of wildlife and plants placed in Appendix I, II or III in accordance with the provisions of Articles XV and XVI of the Convention.

The list of species is organized as follows:

Major group	Subgroups
Mammals Birds Reptiles Amphibians Fishes Molluscs Arthropods Plants	Orders, in taxonomic sequence. Classes. Classes. Families, in alphabetical sequence.

Within each Subgroup, lower taxonomic units (mainly genera, but sometimes families or subfamilies) are listed in alphabetical sequence. Within genera, the scientific names of the species are listed in alphabetical sequence. The scientific name takes precedence over the common name in determining if a species is listed.

(b) The appendix column of the list includes the annotation "pe" (=possibly extinct) for certain species. It also contains the names of Parties including species in Appendix III.

(c) For purposes of issuing United States certificates of exemption under Article VII(3), the date when the Convention applies to a species is the date when the inclusion of that species in the appendices enters into force under the terms of Article XV or XVI of the Convention. The date of first listing is retained if a species is transferred from one appendix to another or if a listed species is subsequently included with other species in the listing of a taxon above the species level. Such species are shown separately in this publica-

tion of the appendices. The date of a subsequent listing is used only if a species is entirely deleted from the appendices and is subsequently reincluded after an intervening period of time.

(d) Unless specified otherwise, all living or dead animals and plants in Appendix I, II or III, and all their readily recognizable parts and derivatives, are subject to the regulations of this Part. Excluded are specified parts or derivatives of particular Appendix III animal species and Appendix II and Appendix III plant species as indicated in the listings of those taxa in subsection (f) below; furthermore, the following specified parts or derivatives of certain plants are categorically excluded or exempted:

(1) For Appendix II and Appendix III plants and artificially propagated hybrids of Appendix I plants: Seedling or tissue cultures obtained *in vitro*, in solid or liquid media, transported in sterile containers; and

(2) For Appendix II and Appendix III plants: Seeds, spores, and pollen (including pollinia); and

(3) For artificially propagated hybrids of Appendix I plants: (i) seeds and pollen (including pollinia) and (ii) cut flowers; and:

(4) For *Panax quinquefolius* (in Araliaceae), parts and derivatives other than roots and their readily recognizable parts.

(5) For artificially propagated or naturalized Appendix II Cactaceae species: (i) fruits and their parts and derivatives; (ii) for *Opuntia* subgenus *Opuntia* species, separate stem joints (pads) and their parts and derivatives.

(6) For Orchidaceae species: (i) in Appendix I, seedling or tissue cultures obtained *in vitro*, in solid or liquid media, transported in sterile containers; (ii) in Appendix II, if artificially propagated: (A) cut flowers, and (B) for *Vanilla* species, fruits and their parts and derivatives.

(e) The list of species set out in subsection (f) is informational and not regulatory in nature. It is solely intended as a convenience to the public. The official list of species included in Appendices I, II, and III is the one maintained by the CITES Secretariat based on the decisions of the Parties to the Convention.